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The Honorable Patricia A. Howard
Supreme Court of South Carolina
Post Office Box 11330
Columbia, South Carolina 29211
(by e-filing only - suptcfilings@sccourts.org)

Re: Gary Fraley v. State of South Carolina
Appellate Case No. 2023-000213

Dear Ms. Howard:

Respondent's Return to Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the above-referenced post-conviction relief appeal is due to be served and filed today. Respondent respectfully requests a third, thirty-day extension to serve and file this return based on the heavy caseload of undersigned counsel.

Please let me know if I can provide the Court with any additional information on this matter in furtherance of this extension request.

Sincerely,

William M. Blich, Jr.
Senior Assistant Deputy Attorney General
SC Bar No. 15608

WMB/cc

cc: Jason S. Luck, Counsel for Petitioner (*via email only*)

In compliance with: *In Re: Extensions in Criminal and Post-Conviction Relief Cases*, (S.C. Sup. Ct. order dated March 18, 2009) (Davis Adv. Sh. No. 13 at 1).

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